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# Making friends

## Lesson A

## Getting to know you

### 1 About you 1

Grammar  
and  
vocabulary

**A** Complete the chart with the words in the box.

college      major      ✓ neighborhood      parents  
job      movies      only child      TV

Home and family	School and work	Free time and friends
neighborhood		

**B** Answer the questions with your own information. Use short answers.

- Are you an only child? Yes, I am. or No, I'm not.
- Is your neighborhood quiet? \_\_\_\_\_
- Do you live with your parents? \_\_\_\_\_
- Do you have a big TV? \_\_\_\_\_
- Do you and your friends go to college? \_\_\_\_\_
- Are you a French major? \_\_\_\_\_
- Does your best friend like action movies? \_\_\_\_\_
- Is homework fun? \_\_\_\_\_

### 2 You and me

Grammar

Complete the conversation with the verb *be*. Use contractions where possible.

- Koji Hi. I'm Koji.
- Isabel Hi. I \_\_\_\_\_ Isabel. Where \_\_\_\_\_ you from, Koji?
- Koji I \_\_\_\_\_ from Japan. How about you?
- Isabel Monterrey – in Mexico.
- Koji Oh, my friends Manuel and Rosa \_\_\_\_\_ from Mexico, too.
- Isabel Really? \_\_\_\_\_ they here now?
- Koji No, they \_\_\_\_\_ not. Uh, I guess they \_\_\_\_\_ late.
- Isabel \_\_\_\_\_ the teacher here?
- Koji Yes, she \_\_\_\_\_. She \_\_\_\_\_ over there.
- Isabel She looks nice. What \_\_\_\_\_ her name?
- Koji I think it \_\_\_\_\_ Ms. Barnes.



### 3 I'm Rudy.

Grammar Answer the questions. Write another piece of information.

Making friends



1. Is Rudy from San Francisco?

No, he's not. He's from Los Angeles.



2. Are his friends English majors?

\_\_\_\_\_



3. Do his friends study in the evening?

\_\_\_\_\_



4. Does Rudy live alone?

\_\_\_\_\_

### 4 About you 2

Grammar  
and  
vocabulary

Unscramble the questions. Then answer the questions with your own information.

1. name / What's / first / your ? What's your first name?

\_\_\_\_\_

2. full-time / a / Do / have / you / job ?

\_\_\_\_\_

3. live / best friend / Does / your / nearby ?

\_\_\_\_\_

4. weekends / What / do / on / you / do ?

\_\_\_\_\_

5. does / your neighbor / What / for a living / do ?

\_\_\_\_\_

6. live / Do / alone / you ?

\_\_\_\_\_

## 1 What doesn't belong?

Vocabulary Circle the word that doesn't belong in each group.

- |           |               |         |              |             |            |         |            |
|-----------|---------------|---------|--------------|-------------|------------|---------|------------|
| 1. apples | <u>butter</u> | mangoes | strawberries | 4. baseball | basketball | singing | volleyball |
| 2. TV     | jacket        | jeans   | sweater      | 5. cat      | dog        | fish    | pet        |
| 3. black  | color         | green   | red          | 6. dessert  | juice      | milk    | water      |

## 2 We're the same.

Grammar Respond to the statements with *too* or *either*.



1. I'm a soccer fan.

I am too.



2. I can't stand doing the laundry.

\_\_\_\_\_



3. I can sing karaoke all night.

\_\_\_\_\_



4. I'm not a good cook.

\_\_\_\_\_



5. I don't like shopping.

\_\_\_\_\_



6. I love to swim in cold water.

\_\_\_\_\_



### 3 First date

Grammar  
and  
vocabulary

Complete the conversations with the expressions in the box.  
You can use some expressions more than once.

✓ I am too.      I do too.      I can too.  
I'm not either.      I don't either.      I can't either.



David You know, I'm always nervous on first dates.  
Lesley I am too. I guess I'm not very outgoing.  
David I guess \_\_\_\_\_. So, what do you like to do in your free time?  
Lesley Well, I go to rock concerts.  
David \_\_\_\_\_ I'm a big fan of Kings of Leon.  
Lesley \_\_\_\_\_ They're my favorite group. I mean, I can listen to their music for hours.  
David \_\_\_\_\_ Do you have all their songs?  
Lesley No, I don't. I don't have *The End*.  
David \_\_\_\_\_ But I want to buy it.



Lesley What do you do on the weekends? I mean, do you eat out a lot?  
David No. I don't usually go to restaurants.  
Lesley \_\_\_\_\_ I like to eat at home.  
David Oh, are you a good cook?  
Lesley Um, no. I can't say I'm a good cook.  
David \_\_\_\_\_ But I like to cook.  
Lesley Do you ever cook Italian food?  
David Sure. I love pasta and pizza.  
Lesley \_\_\_\_\_  
David That's amazing! We have a lot in common. Do you like sports?  
I'm a big sports fan. I watch sports all weekend.  
Lesley Oh ...

### 4 About you

Grammar  
and  
vocabulary

Respond to these statements so they are true for you.

1. A I always eat chocolate after dinner.  
B I do too. or Me too. or Really? I don't.
2. A I'm not a baseball fan.  
B \_\_\_\_\_
3. A I can't drive.  
B \_\_\_\_\_

4. A I don't have a pet.  
B \_\_\_\_\_
5. A I'm allergic to bananas.  
B \_\_\_\_\_
6. A I can cook Italian food.  
B \_\_\_\_\_

# 1 Starting a conversation

Conversation  
strategies

Complete the conversations with the conversation starters in the box.

Is this your first English class here?

Hi. Are you new here? Do you live around here?

Is it me, or is it kind of noisy in here?

You look really nice today. That's a beautiful jacket.

Boy, the food is great. And this cake is really wonderful.

✓ Oh, it's cold. Can I close the window?

1. A Oh, it's cold. Can I close the window?

B Sorry, I just opened it. I'm a little warm, actually.



2. A \_\_\_\_\_

B Thanks. Actually, it's from China.



3. A \_\_\_\_\_

B Thank you. It's my grandmother's recipe.



4. A \_\_\_\_\_

B Yes, it is. Are you in this class, too?



5. A \_\_\_\_\_

B Yeah, it's pretty loud! Is this your first time here?



6. A \_\_\_\_\_

B Uh, no, I don't. I'm actually visiting from Guadalajara.



## 2 Um, actually, ...

Conversation  
strategies

Match each conversation starter with a response.

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| 1. It's really hot in here. <u>b</u>       | a. Yes, most days. It's actually only five minutes from work.           |
| 2. Do you know anyone in this class? _____ | ✓ b. It often gets hot in here. But I feel OK today, actually.          |
| 3. Do you live in this neighborhood? _____ | c. No, um actually, ... I'm a little shy.                               |
| 4. Do you walk to class? _____             | d. Thanks. It's actually from Colombia.                                 |
| 5. I like your necklace. _____             | e. Actually, no, but I work near here.                                  |
| 6. Do you like coffee? _____               | f. Yeah, I do. Actually, there's a great coffee shop across the street. |

## 3 First day of class

Conversation  
strategies

Imagine it's the first day of English class. Respond to each conversation starter.

1. I don't know anyone here. I don't either, actually. By the way, I'm James.
2. I feel a little nervous. \_\_\_\_\_
3. Is it warm in here, or is it me? \_\_\_\_\_
4. I don't know the teacher's name. \_\_\_\_\_
5. Are you a friend of Sara's? \_\_\_\_\_
6. I really like your bag. \_\_\_\_\_
7. What time does the class finish? \_\_\_\_\_
8. Do we get a break? \_\_\_\_\_
9. This is a nice classroom. \_\_\_\_\_
10. Can we use dictionaries, do you think? \_\_\_\_\_



# 1 Getting together

Reading | A Read the article. Which of these are good suggestions for making small talk?  
Check (✓) the boxes.

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Don't look at the other person.  | <input type="checkbox"/> Have some good topics to discuss. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Keep quiet when the other person is talking.   | <input type="checkbox"/> Talk about yourself a lot.        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ask questions that start with <i>what</i> , <i>where</i> , <i>how</i> , or <i>when</i> . |  |

Social Conversations

## Eight Tips for Great Social Conversations

Are you shy? Do you find conversations with new people difficult? If you do, then these eight tips can help you connect. If you're outgoing and love to talk, they can help you improve your conversation skills.

- 1 Have some topics ready to start a conversation.** Say something about the weather or the place you're in. Talk about the weekend – we all have something to say about weekends!
- 2 Make the conversation interesting.** Know about events in the news. Read restaurant and movie reviews. Find out about the current music scene or what's new in fashion or sports.
- 3 Be a good listener.** Make eye contact and say, "Yes," "Hmm," "Uh-huh," "Right," and "I know." And say, "Really? That's interesting." It encourages people to talk.
- 4 Don't be boring.** Don't just say, "Yes" or "No" when you answer a question. Give some interesting details, too.
- 5 Don't talk all the time.** Ask, "How about you?" and show you are interested in the other person, too. People love to talk about themselves!
- 6 Ask information questions.** Ask questions like, "What do you do in your free time?" or "What kind of food do you like?" Use follow-up questions to keep the conversation going. But don't ask too many questions – it's not an interview!
- 7 Be positive.** Negative comments can sound rude. And if you don't want to answer a personal question, simply say, "Oh, I'm not sure I can answer that," or "I'd rather not say."
- 8 Smile!** Everyone loves a smile. Just be relaxed, smile, and be yourself.



B Read the article again and circle the correct words.

1. It's good / not good to make short responses when you listen.
2. When you answer questions, **you can say** / **don't just reply** "Yes" or "No."
3. Ask **a couple of** / **a lot of** follow-up questions.
4. **Think** / **Don't think** of a conversation like an interview.
5. You **have to** / **don't have to** answer personal questions.

## 2 Suggestions, please!

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Writing **A** Rewrite Ben's email to a magazine and the problem page editor's reply. Use correct punctuation.

**Subject: Suggestions, please**

Dear Marcy,  
i want to meet new people and make friends  
the problem is that I'm shy my brother says join  
a gym or a running club maybe he's right i just  
hate exercise what can I do?  
Ben

Dear Ben,  
you need to find people with the same interests  
what are your hobbies do you read a lot join a  
book club think about the things you like and  
find a hobby  
Marcy

**Subject: Suggestions, please**

*Dear Marcy,*  
*I want to meet new people*

**B** Read these questions. Write three suggestions for each question.

1. **Dave** I'd like to make friends, but I don't know how. Do you have any suggestions?

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2. **Niki** I feel shy around new people. How can I improve my conversation skills?

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### Unit 1 Progress chart

What can you do? Mark the boxes.

✓ = I can ...

? = I need to review how to ...

To review, go back to  
these pages in the  
Student's Book.

Grammar

- ☐ make statements with the simple present and present of *be*.
- ☐ ask questions with the simple present and present of *be*.
- ☐ use *too* and *either* to agree.

2, 3, 4, and 5  
2 and 3  
4 and 5

Vocabulary

- ☐ use at least 20 words to describe home and family, school and work, and free time and friends.

2 and 3

Conversation  
strategies

- ☐ start conversations with people I don't know.
- ☐ use *actually* to give and "correct" information.

6 and 7  
7

Writing

- ☐ use capital letters, commas, quotation marks, question marks, and periods.

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Beginning



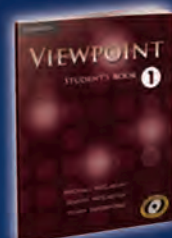
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